

Strong House
(Wilbur House)
2715 Park Avenue
Hamilton County
Ohio

HABS No. OH-2345

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STATE OHIO	COUNTY HAMILTON	TOWN OR VICINITY CINCINNATI
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Strong House (Ohio Historic Inventory)		HABS NO. OH-2345
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Wilbur House		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 2715 Park Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45206		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) Circa 1865 (Ohio Historic Inventory)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) One of the older frame buildings in Walnut Hills according to tax records, it was also one of the more architecturally outstanding buildings in a cluster of similar frame houses. Owned by M. L. Strong in 1884.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Mansard-Italianate.		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Frame with clapboard cladding.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) T-shaped (SEE Page 1), 38' (three-bay front) x 46', two-and-one-half stories, mansard roof.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Bracketed cornice, round-arched dormers in mansard roof, large bay window centered over front porch, porch had bracketed cornice, open spandrel brackets and friezeclustered colonette posts.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Central hall plan, one room deep in main block. Fine main staircase, paired four-panel central entrance doors, unusual three-step stairway on second floor.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Rear ell appeared to be original. A shed-roofed addition appeared to be a later construction.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE House moving study revealed extensive damage to sills and studs in one section. Demolished 1981-1982.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE This structure was recorded by the Cincinnati City Planning Commission in compliance with Executive Order 11593 and a Memorandum of Agreement with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Ohio Historic Inventory Cincinnati Historic Inventory		
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